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## Southern Utes cut ribbon at new museum

Eleanor Frost (left), Southern Ute tribal member and museum technician, assists Miss Southern Ute First Alternate Sage Rohde (center) and other Southern Ute Royalty members in cutting the ribbon to officially open the Southern Ute Community Center & Museum's doors to the tribal membership during the "Circle of Life" dedication ceremony held in the courtyard on May 14.

Museum Executive Director Lynn Brittner (background) and members of the museum board spoke earlier in the day, commemorating the historic event and acknowledging tribal members' contributions to the planning and vision of the museum.

See page 8 for more museum photos.



photo Robert Ortiz/SU DRUM

## Friends, colleagues celebrate retiring Chief Judge Newton

By Jeremy Wade Shockley  
The Southern Ute Drum

Elaine Newton sat next to her husband on May 13, the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council to her right, esteemed colleagues to her left, and a full house seated before her.

As chief judge for the Tribal Court for more than 16 years, Newton is no stranger to working in front of an audience — but this time all eyes were on her as she prepared to retire from her longtime position. Newton's retirement party took place at the Sky Ute Casino Resort, opening with an honor song by drum group 12 Gauge.

Newton's last official day on the job is today.

In her opening remarks, she said she had a dream in 1979 "that I wanted to be a judge," and thanked the late Chairman Leonard C. Burch for helping make that dream a reality.

David West, magistrate judge for the U.S. District Court in Colorado and a longtime acquaintance of Newton's, was the first to express thanks to the retiring judge. He shared a bittersweet story about the state of justice on Indian lands and how it's progressed over the years.

"Elaine Newton ... has always been fair, effective, and protected the best interest of the tribal community," he said. "Newton has succeeded at maintaining the integrity of the judicial process."

Larry Garner, a retired Colorado State Patrol officer whose jurisdiction included the Southern Ute Reservation highways, wished Newton the best.

"[Newton] is directly responsible for positive change in Tribal Court and she should be proud," he said.

"She still takes the time to know her community and always has," said Tim Heydinger, the Tribal Court's public defender, who added Newton could always tell you where just about anyone lived on



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Southern Ute Tribal Court Chief Judge Elaine Newton is honored at her retirement party Friday, May 13 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. After more than 30 years of service to the tribe, Newton's last official day on the job is today.

the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

Similar sentiments were echoed by several other speakers, who lauded her fairness and integrity.

Representatives of the Durango U.S. Attorney's office said Newton has "set the bar for how things should be done."

Southern Ute Tribal Councilman Jim Newton Jr. proudly stepped to the podium to say some words for his mother.

"The key to success, through our past leaders up to today, is sovereignty," he said. "The court system has demonstrated that well."

On a personal note, the councilman said Newton is "more than a mother; she is a friend. I am very proud of my mother."

Newton began working for the tribe as a dispatcher and patrol officer for the Southern Ute Police Department in the 1970s, then worked in the Planning Department. She started in the Tribal Court as a paralegal in 1988, later becoming an associate judge and finally chief judge in 1994.

For her part, Newton said she was grateful for the kind words and gifts.

"I thank everyone I worked with through the years," she said.

## Museum opens doors to tribal membership first

By Robert L. Ortiz  
The Southern Ute Drum

The Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum opened its doors first to the Southern Ute tribal membership and families during the "Circle of Life" dedication ceremony on May 14.

The Seven Rivers drum group sang honor and flag songs before a packed courtyard to kick off the historic day. The Colorado State and Southern Ute flags were raised by Southern Ute and other veterans and museum staffers.

"This is a great moment: to be able to show the pride and tradition of [Southern Ute] people," said Byron Red, SUCCM board member and tribal elder.

Red then introduced tribal elder Elwood Kent to give the invocation.

Board chairman Robert Burch welcomed those in attendance

and introduced the museum's board, staff members and volunteers of the museum.

Burch said, reinforcing the museums' mission ... "To preserve and promote the history and culture of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and other Native Americans so our young people and community will always be known and remember what it means to be Southern Ute."

Burch explained that Southern Ute youth were asked what they wanted to see in their museum, and many of the suggestions were included during the planning of the facility.

Dr. Jim Jefferson introduced the museum's executive director, Lynn Brittner, who acknowledged Chairwoman Pearl E. Casias the other members of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council and Nathan Strong Elk, apprentice executive director.

Brittner said the new museum represents a sort of homecoming for tribal members.

"The museum has been in the works for more than 24 years and at least six years of planning," she said. "Tribal members have been involved in the planning process, sharing their stories, artifacts, photos, clothing and beadwork."

Casias spoke of instilling pride into young tribal members.

"The history [of our people] is here!" she said. "We persevered, and we are still here. Remember we are here to stay as Indian people. ... We hold dear everything that was given to us by the Creator."

Councilman Al Cloud presented a gift of tobacco to Tom Duran, director of the Department of Tribal Member Health Benefits,

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## 4 Corners tribes tackle 19-mile walk



photo Robert Ortiz/SU DRUM

Banner carriers Carmella Huerta (left) of the Southern Ute Tribal Heath Department and Velma Armijo (right) of the Social Services Department begin the second leg of the 19-mile "Walking Together for Healthier Nations" walk to the Four Corners Monument on May 13, along with Dewitte Baker, Southern Ute tribal veteran, and members of the Ute, Navajo and surrounding tribes and community members. See page 14 for more photos.





# News in brief

## IGNACIO

### Los Pinos Softball Tournament scheduled

The Los Pinos softball tournament will take place May 28 and 29 and is open to all men's and women's softball teams, ages 16 and older. The deadline to register is 5 p.m. Thursday, May 26. A \$250 entry fee per team is required and Visa, MasterCard and Discover are accepted. Entry fee must be paid no later than Thursday, May 26 to hold a spot. To sign up and for more information, contact Recreation, 970-563-0214.

### Free bison meat available to tribal members

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Division of Wildlife Resource Management maintains a small herd of bison for the Tribe's ceremonial, cultural and dietary needs. As a service to the tribal membership, the division makes available bison meat to enrolled Southern Ute tribal members free of charge. Tribal bison are grass-fed at low herd density and are free of artificial hormones and other synthetic chemicals. Bison meat is naturally low in cholesterol and an excellent, healthy alternative to beef. If you are an enrolled Southern Ute tribal member interested in obtaining bison meat for personal use, call the Division of Wildlife at 970-563-0130. Quantities and cuts of meat available may be limited.

### Tribe offers radon testing

Environmental Programs would like to remind all tribal members that we provide free radon testing for your homes. Many of you have had your home tested by us in the past, but we have new radon monitoring equipment that will give you more accurate and immediate results. The monitor, which is about the size of a shoebox, will need to be placed in your home for 3 days. Please contact Peter Diethrich at 970-563-0315 ext. 2238, pdieth@southern-ute.nsn.us or Mel Baker at 970-563-4710, mjbaker@southern-ute.nsn.us to set up an appointment or to ask questions.

### Navajo State Park seeks volunteer drivers

Do you like to drive? Do you like to meet new people? Navajo State Park is looking for volunteers to join their fun team of shuttle drivers for the upcoming summer season. Work entails driving a shuttle vehicle between the overflow parking lots and the marina for three-hour shifts, weekends only with some holiday Mondays. Plus, after 48 volunteer hours, you'll earn a free annual pass to all 42 Colorado State Parks. Orientation for this volunteer program will take place Saturday, May 21 from 10 a.m. to noon at the park. To sign up or for more information or other volunteer opportunities, call Navajo State Park at 970-883-2208..

# Many Moons Ago



photo archives/SU DRUM

## 10 Years Ago

Division heads within the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Justice and Regulatory Department received framed drawings from Tribal Council during the Law Enforcement Appreciation Dinner held on May 11 in the Sky Ute Casino's Rolling Thunder Hall. From left are Phil Drake of Gaming Division, Capt. Ralph Watts of Natural Resource Enforcement, Director of Justice and Regulatory Charlie Flagg, Southern Ute Police Department Chief Roger Naranjo, Tribal Prosecutor Julie Hooligan, and Lt. Herb Maschner of Detention.

This photo first appeared in the May 18, 2001, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



photo archives/SU DRUM

## 20 Years Ago

Dancers from the Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute tribes, along with members of the Sioux Tribe from the Denver area, performed on the 16th Street Mall in Denver during the Western American Indian Trade and International Travel Exposition. Dancers also performed at McNichols Arena with drum group Catching Eagle from Towaoc and the Porcupine Singers from the Oglala Lakota Nation.

This photo first appeared in the May 17, 1991, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



photo archives/SU DRUM

## 30 Years Ago

The Ignacio Elementary School had a track and field day at the Ignacio High School field. Pictured here are some of the children who enjoyed a footrace.

This photo first appeared in the May 22, 1981, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**  
of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

### SUMMER CAMP FACTS

- ♦ Begins Wednesday, June 8th
- ♦ Programs for 6-18 year olds
- ♦ 7:30-5:30pm, M-F
- ♦ \$10/yearly membership plus weekly fee (TBD)
- ♦ Must enroll for summer

### COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Interested in assisting our Club as a mentor, teaching an enrichment class or assisting with lunch supervision? Call us!

**563.4753**

### SUMMER ENROLLMENT

(ONLY WAY TO REGISTER FOR SUMMER)  
MEETINGS ARE HELD AT SUNUTE

New Summer Club Members  
May 11 @ 6pm, May 24 @ 12pm, or June 4 @ 9am

Returning Summer Club Members  
May 10 @ 6pm, May 25 @ 12pm, or June 4 @ 10am

See [SkyUteCasino.com](http://SkyUteCasino.com) for all gaming promotions & entertainment information!

# \$50,000 HOT CASH GIVEAWAY

## April 1 - June 4, 2011

Be sure to play with your Bear Club Card for your chance at a share of \$50,000 to be given away throughout the months of April and May! Drawings will be held every Saturday at 9 p.m. and as the prize money increases throughout the month so will the amount of days you have to earn entries. In order to give everyone a better chance to win we will discard all entries after the Saturday drawings each week and start with an empty drum for the following week. Please see the Player's Center for full details.



Must be 21 or older. Must show valid picture ID to win a prize. Must be present to win. All entries will be discarded at the end of each week. Management reserves the right to change or cancel this promotion at any time without prior notice. Employees of Sky Ute Casino Resort and their immediate family are not eligible.



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## Get your shawls ready



Southern Ute elder Patricia Torres (left) shows workshop participants, including Linda Eagle, a stitching pattern that she used to create a colorful rose design on her shawl. Ella-Louise Weaver and Elise Redd (above) display different shawl types. A shawl-making workshop took place at the Multi-purpose Building at Ute Park on Tuesday, May 17. Attendees used fabric, ribbon and colored thread to create colorful shawls just in time for Southern Ute Bear Dance May 27-30.

photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

## Meet the foreign press



photo Ace Stryker/SU DRUM

Miss Southern Ute First Alternate Sage Rodhe discusses Ute culture with a pair of foreign journalists during a women's Bear Dance workshop May 6 at the Multi-purpose Building at Ute Park. The journalists attended the meeting with a Durango Herald reporter as part of an overseas professional development program.

## Elders make wreaths



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Southern Ute Elder Services hosted a one-day wreath making workshop on Wednesday, May 11 under the direction of tribal elder Evalyn Russell. Participants were provided with all the materials and direction needed to create their own artistic projects. Laura Richards (top) chooses the flowers she will use in her arrangements; Leigh Sage (above) cuts a stem before adding a piece to her own wreath.

## Ute Language

stimanakwatÛ - North  
tarimanakwatÛ - South  
tavamawisînskwatÛ - East  
tavayaakwînakwatÛ - West

Editor's note: The Ute Language and translation are transcribed from the 2000 Ute Dictionary, ©1996.

## PowWow Trails

**NACA Powwow**  
May 27 - 28  
Native American Community Academy  
1100 Cardenas Dr SE • Albuquerque, NM  
Phone: 266-0992  
Web: [nacaschool.org/event/naca-pow-wow](http://nacaschool.org/event/naca-pow-wow)

**Red Earth Festival**  
June 3 - 5  
1 Myriad Plaza • Oklahoma City, OK  
Contact: Eric Oesch  
Phone: 405-427-5228  
Email: [info@redearth.org](mailto:info@redearth.org)  
Web: [www.redearth.org](http://www.redearth.org)

**6th Annual The Peoples Powwow**  
June 4  
Sechrist Elementary School  
Fort Valley RD • Flagstaff, AZ  
Contact: Bill Gowey  
Phone: 928-380-0871  
Email: [bgowey@msn.com](mailto:bgowey@msn.com)

**9th Annual Sky Ute Casino Powwow**  
June 10 - 12  
14324 Hwy 172 • Ignacio, CO  
Contact: Dustin Weaver  
Phone: 970-563-1759  
Email: [Dustin.Weaver@skyutecasino.com](mailto:Dustin.Weaver@skyutecasino.com)  
Web: [www.skyutecasino.com](http://www.skyutecasino.com)

## Seeking Bear Dance feast volunteers

**Southern Ute Bear Dance 2011, May 27-30**

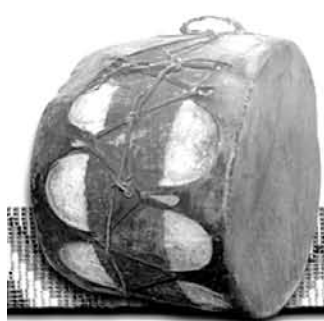
The Bear Dance chief is seeking a head frybread maker and head stew cook for the Bear Dance feast on Monday, May 30. If you would like to volunteer, to help with the Bear Dance feast, please contact Andrea Taylor at 970-563-0100 ext. 2250 or Anna-Marie Garcia at 970-563-0100 ext. 2208.

**Ute Nations Day**  
May 27, 2011  
Ute Park  
258 Ute Road  
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
  
**Bear Dance Kickoff Lunch**  
May 27, 2011  
12 p.m. - 2 p.m.  
SunUte multipurpose field

**Ignacio Baptist Church**  
**Maranatha**  
(formerly Indian Baptist Mission)  
  
For more information email us at  
[PastorKellyWinlock@gmail.com](mailto:PastorKellyWinlock@gmail.com) or  
[IgnacioBaptistChurchMaranatha@gmail.com](mailto:IgnacioBaptistChurchMaranatha@gmail.com)  
  
  
Visit us at [www.IgnacioBaptistChurchMaranatha.org](http://www.IgnacioBaptistChurchMaranatha.org)

**Ignacio Baptist Church**  
**Maranatha**  
  
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 AM  
MORNING WORSHIP 11:00 AM  
EVENING WORSHIP 6:30 PM  
MID-WEEK WORSHIP 6:30 PM  
  
**PASTOR KELLY WINLOCK**  
  
...Come, for everything is now ready  
- LUKE 14 : 1





## The Kidney Corner: Making sense of ACE/ARB soup

By Dr. Mark Saddler  
Durango Nephrology Associates

In the last issue of the Kidney Corner, we addressed some of the important ways to treat chronic kidney disease, the condition in which the kidneys' ability to excrete waste products is impaired.

In this issue, we will discuss two groups of medicines that are instrumental in caring for patients with chronic kidney disease: angiotensin-converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors and angiotensin receptor blockers (ARBs). These medicines inhibit the formation or action of angiotensin, a hormone that raises blood pressure.

The most commonly used ACE inhibitor currently in Ignacio is lisinopril. ACE inhibitors all end in the suffix "pril." The most commonly used ARBs currently in use locally are losartan and telmisartan. ARBs all end in the suffix "sartan."

ACE inhibitors and ARBs are blood pressure-lowering drugs, used frequently in all types of hypertensive patients, even those who don't have chronic kidney disease. But their benefits extend beyond just blood pressure lowering alone. They have an independent effect in lowering the pressure in the glomeruli, or filters, of the kidney. This results in



long-term preservation of kidney function, but can occasionally cause a short-term decrease in kidney function.

Even when kidney function does drop after starting an ACE inhibitor or ARB, the medicine can usually still be continued, provided the kidney function does not continue to worsen. In fact, those patients with a short-term decline in kidney function may even have the best long-term protection!

In addition, these medicines can both sometimes cause an increase in the blood level of potassium, an electrolyte that can sometimes accumulate dangerously in patients with kidney disease. So it's clear that when using these drugs, careful monitoring is needed. However, their long-term benefit to kidney function is substantial, so it's worth trying to use these agents in

almost all patients with chronic kidney disease.

One way of monitoring how well ACE inhibitors and ARBs are working is to monitor the amount of protein, or albumen, in the urine. A decrease in the urine protein is a marker of the success of this therapy. The urine protein is often repeated at intervals to confirm that this therapy is achieving the desired protective effect.

Like all medicines, ACE inhibitors and ARBs occasionally can cause side effects. As discussed above, even though they are associated with long-term preservation of kidney function, they can occasionally cause a short-term drop in kidney function. So the kidney function needs to be monitored carefully during their use. They can occasionally cause a cough (ACE inhibitors more frequently than ARBs). Rarely, people can be allergic to them, resulting in a swelling of the lips or tongue. This can be dangerous and the medicine should be stopped if this happens.

These useful drugs are also first-line agents for treating patients with heart failure. Overall they are extremely valuable agents to protect kidneys and improve outcomes for patients with chronic kidney disease.

## Women discuss rites of passage



photos Robert Ortiz/SU DRUM

Southern Ute women gathered to discuss women's rites of passage in the Multi-purpose Building on May 11. Tribal elder Lynda Grove-D'Wolf coordinated the event. Items of discussion included mourning, pregnancy, puberty, and coming of age and naming ceremonies. Other workshops slated for the coming months will discuss the Sun Dance, powwows, the naming ceremony and storytelling.

## Town hall meeting in Ignacio to address health disparities

Media release

Colo. Department of Public Health and Environment

On Thursday, June 2, community members, health care professionals and elected officials are invited to participate in a town hall meeting in Ignacio to discuss ethnic minority health disparities, differences in health status, access to health care and quality of care.

The meeting is from 4 to 6:30

p.m. at the Sky Ute Casino Resort Event Center, 14324 Highway 172 North in Ignacio.

Mauricio Palacio, director of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's Office of Health Disparities, said, "Communities of color are disproportionately affected by disease, disability and death. These health disparities exist across all health areas, including chronic disease, communicable disease, injury, and maternal and child health.

"Health disparity issues are critical in health care today. Not all the illness or wellness in the United States affects everyone in an equal way. Some of our state's poor health aggregates in our communities of color."

For more information, contact John Romero Campbell at 303-692-2094 or e-mail john.romero-campbell@state.co.us at the Office of Health Disparities, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

## Tribal office closures

Southern Ute tribal offices will be closed Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day. Offices will reopen Tuesday, May 31.



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**OUR SISTER'S KEEPER**  
**COALITION**



**3rd Annual**

**Two Spirit and Wellness Conference**

**"Exploring Cultural Lifestyles While Honoring those Who Choose to Dance to a Different Drum Beat"**

**Thursday, June 9, 2011**

**8:00 am - 5:00 pm**

**Friday, June 10, 2011**

**8:00 am - noon**

**Southern Ute Multi-Purpose Facility**  
**Ignacio, Colorado 81137**

**Guest Speaker:**

**Arizona State Senator**

**Jack Jackson, Jr**

**For More Information or to Register:**

**Our Sister's Keeper Coalition**

**Admin 970-259-2519 \*\* Toll free 888-770-OSKC \*\***

**Fax 970-403-1158**

**Register Online: [www.oursisterskeeper.org](http://www.oursisterskeeper.org)**

**Two Spirit Represents the Gay/Lesbian/Bi Sexual/Transgendered/Queer Community**

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# TRIBAL ACTIVITIES!

**Every Sunday in May & June**  
**at the Sky Ute Casino Resort**  
**In the John S. Williams Room.**  
**12:00pm-3:30pm**

<b>May 1st</b>	<b>Doll Cradle Board</b>	<b>(Helen Tom)</b>
<b>May 8th</b>	<b>Doll Cradle Board</b>	<b>(Helen Tom)</b>
<b>May 15th</b>	<b>Gloves-Bear Dance</b>	<b>(Lorna House)</b>
<b>May 22nd</b>	<b>Gloves-Bear Dance</b>	<b>(Lorna House)</b>
<b>May 29th</b>	<b>Handgame</b>	

<b>June 5th</b>	<b>Sewing</b>
<b>June 12th</b>	<b>Ute Bingo</b>
<b>June 19</b>	<b>Necklace Crafts</b>
<b>June 26th</b>	<b>Pillow-blanket Making</b>

**Benda Watts is the facilitator for the Activity Afternoon on Sundays at the casino from 12-3:30pm.**

**All Activity Afternoons will be in the John S. Williams Room from 12:00-3:30pm. Activities are not sponsored by Sky Ute Casino Resort.**

**For Additional information please call Edward Box III at 563.1762.**

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## Solar Roller beams into town



Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students experimented with solar technology as part of the Solar Roller education project, a program of the Durango Discovery Museum, on Thursday, May 5 at the SunUte Community Center's multipurpose field. The Solar Roller is a mobile unit that travels wherever there's sunshine. Students are led through each of the various solar stations by team leaders before being set loose to experiment for themselves.

photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

## Wildcats raise funds



photo Ace Stryker/SU DRUM

Ignacio community members purchased pies for sums approaching \$100 each during a fundraiser on Saturday, May 7 for the Wildcats basketball team. Team members also displayed their ball-handling skills to the tune of the "Footloose" theme and later enjoyed a dance as part of the fundraising effort in the Southern Ute Montessori Head Start gym.

## Thunder rolls at SunUte



Local athletes go head-to-head during the Rolling Thunder Basketball Tournament at SunUte Community Center on Saturday, May 7. The teams were competing for the top prize of \$1,000 cash.

photo Ace Stryker/SU DRUM

## EXPLORE COLORADO SUMMER CAMP 2011 June 6-11

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Growth Fund and the Southern Ute Education Department in conjunction with Colorado Northwestern Community College (CNCC) in Rangely, Colo. are planning the 2011 Explore Colorado Summer Camp.

Only 30 Southern Ute students 7th -12th grade will attend so make your reservation quickly to save your spot!



### Monday, June 6

- Depart for CNCC
- Arrive 3:00pm
- Activities

### Tuesday, June 7

- Ft Duchesne
- Night Skies

### Wednesday, June 8

- Rafting trip
- River preservation service project

### Thursday, June 9

- Career exploration in science, technology and math
- Canyon Pintado

### Friday, June 10

- Dinosaur Monument
- Movie night

### Saturday, June 11

- Ropes Course
- Return to Ignacio

Sample Itinerary: subject to change



You must attend the informational meeting in order to register. For more information call SUED at 563-0235. For specific details call Julie Stone or Barbara Cummins at ext. 2795, Ellen Baker ext. 2793, or Lisa Pratchett ext.2792.

100% Funded by the Southern Ute Growth Fund!



## NATIVE AMERICAN ATHLETES

We are looking for athletes and coaches to participate in the following sports at the 2011 Rocky Mountain State Games in Colorado Spring!!!!

### Events held July 22—24, 2011

#### Basketball

9th—10th Grade Team (Boys and Girls)  
6th—8th Grade Team (Boys and Girls)

### Events held July 29—31, 2011

Archery 3D and Target  
12—17 years old

Bowling  
12—17 years old

Golf  
13—17 years old

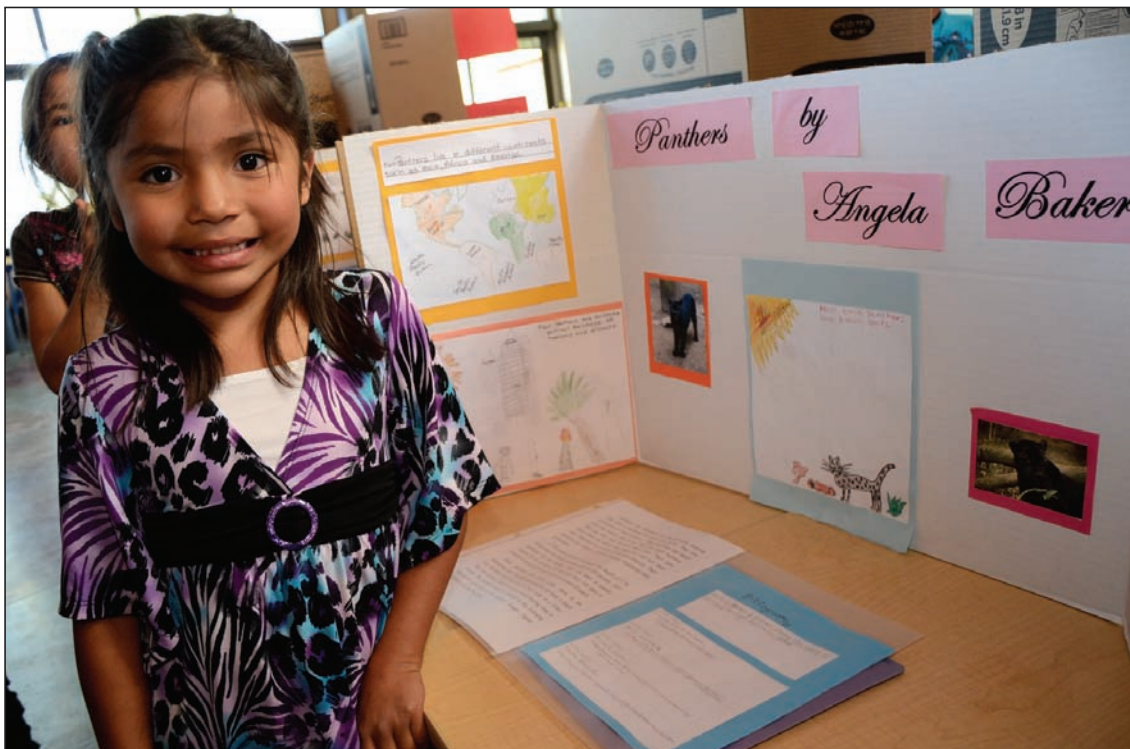
Wrestling—Freestyle  
12—17 years old

For more information contact  
**McKean Walton**, Games Coordinator, Southern Ute Indian Tribe  
at 970-563-0100 ext. 2314 or [mwalton@southern-ute.nsn.us](mailto:mwalton@southern-ute.nsn.us)  
Registration packets can be picked at the Games Coordinators  
Office located in the executive offices of the  
**Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administration Building**





Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy  
busy with end-of-year events



Southern Ute Montessori Academy students have been taking in the springtime sun this month, and a few are making preparations for their transition on May 26. On Monday, May 16, students and staff cast fishing lines together during the annual Fishing Club field trip to Lake Capote; the Southern Ute Police Department helped to facilitate the Spring Bike Rodeo at the SunUte Community Center's multipurpose field, where tots took to two wheels — some for the first time — on Friday, May 13; Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Chairwoman Pearl E. Casias, Executive Office Andrew Frost and Records Manager Larry Tucker spend the lunch hour with transitioning students on Thursday, May 12; students proudly display their school projects before teachers and parents during the Academy's Knowledge Night on Thursday, May 5.





Athletes help present HIP awards



photo Amy Barry/SU DRUM

Pedro Vigil, Ryan Brooks, and coach Chris Valdez joined Principal Karl Herr at Ignacio Elementary School to honor 30 students who received the last Honesty, Integrity and Perseverance (HIP) awards for the school year. The Ignacio High School basketball team challenged the students to achieve their academic goals and signed a basketball for one lucky raffle winner among the students.

SUPD thanks kids for graffiti cleanup



Southern Ute Police Department gave a special thanks to the Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe on Monday, May 16 at the SunUte Community Center. Crystal Thompson, SUPD community resource officer, expressed the gratitude of the entire department for the youths' involvement in repainting the graffiti-marred transit stop in the Cedar Point residential community. The student collaborated on a colorful mural as part of their club activities. Cake and refreshments were served as a way of saying thanks to the participating youth.

photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Education update

Education announces GED test dates

The Department of Education would like to announce the GED test dates for the upcoming months: June 3, July 8 (changed due to holiday), Aug 5. The test is held the first Friday of every month at the Higher Education Building. Registration and payments are due by Tuesday before the test. Scholarships are available for Native Americans who live within 50 miles of the service area, spend 12 hours in class, score a 450 on practice tests and submit paperwork two weeks in advance. For more information, call Pine River Community Learning Center at 563-0681 or Donna Broad at 563-0237 or 749-1953.

New and Continuing College Students!

Deadline to turn all scholarship applications is July 1 at 5 p.m. Applications cover the entire year until the next July, 2011 deadline. Any applications received after 5 p.m. of July, 2011 will not be considered. If you have any questions, please contact the Higher Education Dept. at 970-563-0237.

Graduations

Ignacio Intermediate School  
Tuesday, May 24, 5 p.m.  
Ignacio Intermediate School

Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy  
Thursday, May 26, 10 a.m.  
SunUte Community Center

Southern Ute Head Start  
Thursday, May 26, 4 p.m., Head Start Gym

Cortez-Montezuma County High School  
Thursday, May 26, 6:30 p.m., Panther Stadium

Durango High School  
Friday, May 27, 6 p.m., D.H.S. Stadium

Ignacio High School  
Saturday, May 28, 10 a.m.  
Sky Ute Casino Resort

Pagosa High School  
Saturday, May 28, 10 a.m., Pagosa High School

BGC honors Casias



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

The Boys & Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, represented by Jen Bartlett, presented a blanket to honor recently elected Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Chairwoman Pearl E. Casias. The presentation was made in Southern Ute Tribal Chambers on Thursday, May 5. Bartlett is the chief professional officer of the Boy & Girls Club, which works throughout the Ignacio community.

Southern Ute Education Department  
Southern Ute tribal students of the month

Introducing a special recognition program for the young and talented Southern Ute students attending Ignacio public schools! The Southern Ute Education staff is looking for you! We know you are there, and we want to recognize two students a month for all their hard work and kindness given to others. Check the Drum each month and listen to KSUT for the announcement of the next honored students as well as an interview. It could be you! Way to go! Pending the success of this new program, SUED may extend this recognition to other local school districts in the fall. Stay tuned!



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Larenz Wilbourn

3rd grade, Ignacio Elementary  
Parents: Lawrence and Rhonda Wilbourne.

I like to participating in basketball, soccer, football, baseball. I am in Bear Dance and other cultural activities and Lego League.

In addition, I want to be a pro NFL running back for the New Orleans Saints, when I grow up. I want to play football for the University of Florida and Study Marine Biology after high school.

I have been chosen as Southern Ute tribal student of the month for the month of May because I am a good student. Am a good friend and classmate and I am a well-mannered young man.

"I would like to thank the Education Department for recognizing me for this award. I am deeply honored. Thank you."



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Mariah Pena

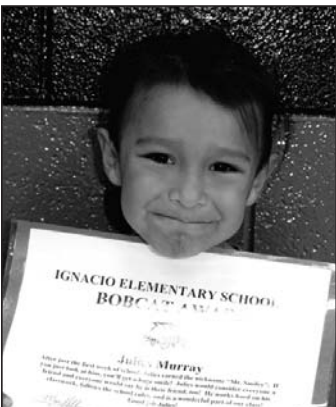
12th grade, Ignacio High School  
Parents: Kenneth and Shasta Pena.

I like participating in volleyball.

I want to be a nurse after high school.

"I would like to thank everyone who nominated me. You guys really made me proud to be chosen. Thanks again."

Bobcats of the Month



These Ignacio Elementary School students were honored as Bobcats of the Month for January for their helpfulness, attitude in class and willingness to learn: Cyrus Naranjo, David Tallbird, Dru Martinez, Julie Murray, Kristopher White, Larenz Wilbourn and Torrica Howe.

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# Tribal members explore museum

A “Circle of Life” tribal dedication ceremony took place to honor the Southern Ute people and their contributions to the Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum on May 14. The museum’s doors opened first to the Southern Ute membership. Museum Board Chairman Robert Burch (top left) gives opening remarks; Southern Ute Royalty and Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy students (top right) perform “Go My Son” in sign language; royalty (above left) members greet tribal elders and attendees; Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Chairwoman Pearl E. Casias (above right) discusses the perseverance of Indian people; members of the Seminole Tribe of Florida (right) attend the dedication during a five-day trip to the area; the Seven Rivers drum group (below right) sings an honor song; tribal members Kevin Reynolds (lower left), Stanley and Shirley Frost (lower center), and Leona Burch and Nevaeh Pena (lower right) get a hands-on experience inside the museum’s Permanent Gallery.

photos Robert Ortiz/SU DRUM

## Museum opens its doors • from page 1

to acknowledge that the museum was built on his family’s land.

The Southern Ute Royalty and students of the Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy gave a performance of “Go My Son” in sign language before cutting the ribbon, officially opening the museum. Royalty members then led everyone into the museum. Lunch was provided by the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

Also present were members of the Seminole Tribe from Florida, who were on a five-day tour of the Four Corners region.

The museum includes a permanent gallery, temporary gallery, library, and a store selling Native American jewelry, which is owned and operated by Mel Garcia of Waci-ci Trading Post.

The museum is preparing to host a “Circle of Life Friends Celebration” for dignitaries and potential donors on Friday, May 20, and a public opening on May 21 and 22.

**IF YOU GO**

**Summer hours**  
Sunday 1 – 5 p.m., Monday closed  
Tuesday – Friday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
Saturday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**Admission**  
So. Ute tribal members: free  
General public: \$7; Museum members: \$6  
Ages 3 – 14: \$3; Ages 0 – 3: free

**Accessibility:** The Southern Ute Cultural Center & Museum is fully wheelchair accessible. Disabled parking is available in the parking lot to the south of the museum. Enter on County Road 517 and look for the blue signs.

**Kids:** The museum welcomes children of all ages and is happy to accommodate school groups.

**Parking:** The museum parking lot is located off County Road 517, to the south side of the building. Overflow parking is available within walking distance at the Sky Ute Casino Resort to the north of the building.







# Farewell, Chief Judge Newton



photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Kind words and gifts were bestowed upon retiring Chief Judge Elaine Newton during her retirement party Friday, May 13 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort. Drum group 12 Gauge (below left) performed honor songs, and several speakers, including Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council Vice Chairman Mike Olguin (left), Tribal Court Public Defender Tim Heydinger (below), and Newton's son, Councilman Jim Newton Jr. (below center), wished the retiring judge well. Her last official day in office is today.



## Southern Ute Bear Dance CONTEST POWWOW

May 27 & 28, 2011

### Master of Ceremonies

Alex O. Shepherd, Cedar City, UT

### Arena Director

Lakota Claremont, Lakewood, CO

### Head Man

Michael Grant Sr., Bloomfield, NM

### Head Woman

Johnna Black Hair, Albuquerque, NM

### Host Drums

Red Spirit, Northern Drum  
Southern Mountain, So. Drum

### Head Gourd Dancer

John Emhoolah, Denver, CO

### Head Drum Judge

Damien Bear, Tama, IA

### Color Guard

Southern Ute Veterans Assoc.

### Contest Categories

#### Registration

Friday: 5pm  
Closes Saturday: 2pm

#### Gourd Dance

Friday: 5pm-6:30pm  
Saturday: 11am-12:30pm  
Saturday: 5pm-6:30pm

#### Grand Entry

Friday: 7pm  
Saturday: 1pm & 7pm

#### Adults

Fancy Shawl, Grass Dance,  
Jingle Dress, Northern  
and Southern Traditional

#### Teen Boys & Girls (12-17)

Fancy, Grass Dance,  
Jingle Dress, Traditional

#### Junior Boys & Girls (7-11)

Fancy, Grass Dance,  
Jingle Dress, Traditional

#### Golden Age (50+)

#### Food Vendor Information

Kendra Alexander, 970-563-5541

#### Arts & Crafts Vendor Information

Jeannette Frost, 970-563-0128

#### Outside Booth Rates

\$75 per day (10x10)  
\$100 per day (10x20)

#### Inside Booth Rates

\$50 for 1 day (10x10)  
\$75 for both days

Cash only! Bring your own setup.

**Sky Ute Fairgrounds, Ignacio, CO**

The POWWOW Committee will not be responsible for accidents, injuries or theft. Drugs & alcohol prohibited!  
For further information contact Carliss Taylor at 970-799-3149 or Cindy Winder at 970-563-0100x2301



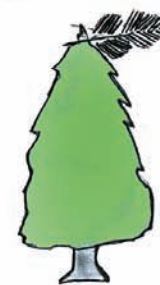
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## SOUTHERN UTE

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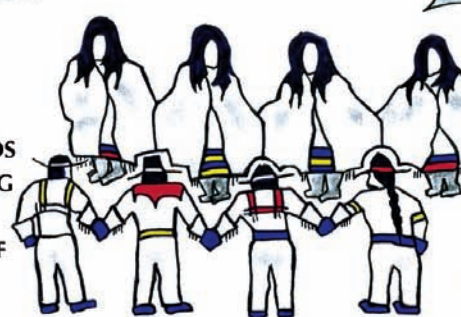


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OR BAGGY PANTS  
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AND AUDIO RECORDING  
ARE NOT ALLOWED,  
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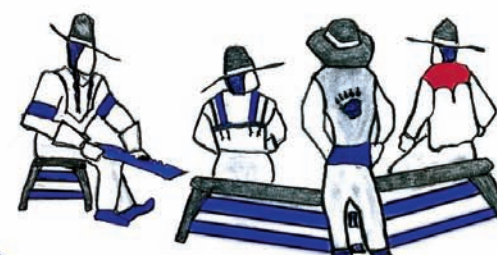
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10:30 A.M.

BEAR DANCE FEAST  
MAY 30, 12 NOON

FOR MORE INFO:  
970-563-0100 EXT. 2208



## BEAR DANCE



CHIEF:  
MATTHEW BOX  
970-759-5414  
2ND CHIEFS:  
JAKE RYDER  
AND JOHN CHAVARRILLO

THE PINE RIVER  
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THE SOUTHERN  
UTE INDIAN TRIBE  
WILL NOT  
BE HELD RESPONSIBLE  
FOR ACCIDENTS,  
INJURIES OR THEFTS.





## Archuleta County, Southern Ute Tribe sign property tax agreement

*Media release  
Southern Ute Indian Tribe*

At a signing ceremony held at tribal headquarters near Ignacio, the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe signed an intergovernmental agreement regarding taxation. Under the agreement, the issue of the taxability of the tribe's fee-owned property in the Archuleta County portion of the reservation is addressed in the same manner as that issue is addressed in a 1996 Taxation Compact among the Tribe, La Plata County, and State of Colorado. All of the tribe's on-reservation property interests, including both land held in trust status by the United States and land owned by the tribe in its own name (fee-owned land), as well as the tribe's proportionate ownership interest in on-reservation property owned by tribal partnerships and joint ventures, are recognized as exempt from taxation. The tribe agrees to make a payment in lieu of taxes, however, for the real property interests that are owned by the tribe in fee status. The amount of the tribe's PILT

payment is calculated as the non-public school share of the annual county tax assessment, which equates to approximately one third of what the taxes would have been if not for the property's ownership by the tribe. Through the tribe's PILT and the state's school funding equalization, it is expected that the county and school district will be kept whole. Approximately one third of the tribe's 700,000-acre reservation in southwestern Colorado lies within Archuleta County. Newly elected tribal Chairwoman Pearl E. Casias said the agreement is an example of the growing communication and cooperation between the tribe and its Archuleta County neighbors. "As tribal economic development activity expands into the Archuleta County portion of the reservation, the need for constructive working relationships and intergovernmental interaction becomes increasingly important," she said. "Indian and non-Indian interests in the reservation land base are intricately interwoven due in large part to the checkerboard of land ownership on the reservation. The checkerboard of land ownership

on the reservation can create jurisdictional issues, which, without good communication, can lead to conflict. Through this agreement, a conflict regarding taxation is avoided. Our hope is that this agreement will help establish a long-term, government-to-government planning and regulatory relationship between the tribe and county." Chairman Clifford Lucero of the Archuleta County Board of County Commissioners echoed Casias's comments. "This agreement is the result of renewed and improved communications between the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Archuleta County," he said. "The challenges presented by the checkerboard nature of the tribal lands can be conquered through communication. With good old-fashioned hard work and a constructive, communicative relationship, the challenges of tomorrow, for all our people, can be overcome. Archuleta County thanks the tribe for its hard work on this agreement, and we look forward to continuing to work together in establishing a long-term government-to-government relationship between the county and the tribe."

## Annual Heritage Train slated for June 5

*Media release  
Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad*

The Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, Sky Ute Casino Resort and Southern Ute Tribe proudly present the Native American Heritage Train: The Southern Ute Legacy on June 5. This combination train ride and cultural performance at Cascade Canyon will feature traditional dances, songs and drumming. The train will travel 26 miles through the backcountry wilderness of the San Juan National

Forest to Cascade Canyon, where it will stay for one hour and 30 minutes. The performance will begin shortly after the train arrives and will last approximately 45 minutes. Passengers will have the opportunity to explore the area, situated along the Animas River, before departing back to Durango. Lunch items are available for purchase on the concession car. The train departs at 10:15 a.m. and returns to Durango at 3:45 p.m. A Native American blessing will take place on the depot lawn at 9:15 a.m. Standard-class coach and

open-air gondola seats and the deluxe-class San Juan car are available. Tribal elders will ride with passengers in the San Juan car for storytelling and conversation. Additional tribal members will be available throughout the trip to visit with passengers in standard-class cars. Standard-class seats are \$79 for adults (12 and over) and \$49 for children (4-11). Deluxe-class seats are \$99 (all ages). Seats for this train are very limited. For additional information and reservations, call 888-872-4607 or visit [www.durangotrain.com](http://www.durangotrain.com).

### Attention Tribal Hunters Annual Brunot Area Rare Game Permitting Lottery

Included with Brunot Area hunting available to Southern Ute Tribal hunters is the opportunity to pursue rare big game, including Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, moose, and mountain goat. Due to the rarity of these animals within the Brunot Area, only a limited number of permits will be available each year through an application and random draw process administered by the Southern Ute Wildlife Division. Tribal hunters may apply to receive a permit during the month of May only, and drawings and notifications will be made in June.

**THE WINDOW FOR SUBMITTING A 2011 RARE GAME PERMIT APPLICATION IS: MONDAY, MAY 2 through TUESDAY, MAY 31**

Applications must be signed by the applicant and received by hand-delivery or post-marked during the application window. Please note that if you apply but are not drawn for a permit in a given year, you will receive a "bonus point" toward drawings for that hunt type in the future. The more bonus points you accrue, the better your chances are at being drawn. Applications are available free-of-charge to enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members only. Applications must be obtained and submitted through the Southern Ute Wildlife Division at P.O. Box 737, Ignacio CO 81137. For more information, contact the Division at (970) 563-0130.

### NOTICE

La Boca Bridge on La Boca Ranch Road will be closed to all traffic until further notice pending completion of an engineering study. People traveling to points beyond the bridge, including Middle Mesa and Navajo Lake in New Mexico, should use an alternate route such as La Plata County Road 328 or La Plata County Road 330. If you have any questions concerning this closure please contact the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Lands Division at 970-563-0126.

### Legal Notice

**If you are a Native American Farmer  
or the heir of one who was denied a  
USDA farm loan or loan servicing  
between 1981 and late 1999,**

**You can get up to \$50,000 or more from a \$760 million  
class action settlement.**

**To receive a payment you must file a claim  
by December 27, 2011.**

**For more information about the Keepseagle Settlement and  
how to file a claim:**

**call 1-888-233-5506  
or visit [www.IndianFarmClass.com](http://www.IndianFarmClass.com).**





## Season ends in district semis

By Joel Priest  
Special to the Drum

Despite a nasty outbreak of Paonia, Ignacio’s Clayton Jefferson stayed immune.

And provided a booster shot to the Bobcats’ confidence when they needed it most.

Watching from the visitors’ dugout May 7 at Canyon View Park in the bottom of the third inning, Jefferson saw a manageable three-run deficit explode into 10 before relief pitcher Tyler Young (1.2 IP, 2 H, 3 R, K, BB) got Eagle leftfielder Dustin Braslin to fly to right and end the onslaught.

Ignacio had just mounted a serious threat in the frame’s top half, loading the bases — via walks to starter Mark Garcia and first baseman Jesse Vigil, sandwiching a Young single — with two out. But facing a foe who could suddenly put Ignacio ahead with just a swing, PHS not only had the proverbial “ice water” in their veins, but called it Casey Gillenwater. And the senior proved frigid on the warm Saturday in Grand Junction, getting Orion Watts to fly out deep to center.

So stepping to the plate as a pinch-hitter (and then defensive replacement in right) for nine-hole hitter Chris McDonald after that massive momentum swing, Jefferson found himself against Paonia’s ace with two outs. Second baseman Christian Rockwell had grounded out to



photo Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Jesse Vigil connects for a first-inning single against Paonia during their meeting May 7 in Grand Junction.

— C.J. had that nice base hit for us — and that pumped us up. We just couldn’t do it on defense there at the end.”

Against an Ignacio roster abruptly minus four of its seniors due to various reasons, leaving only Watts and Garcia in uniform for their final game, Gillenwater managed to strand Cats at the corners in the top of the first before getting the scoring started in its bottom with an RBI-double to plate Kendall.

Designated hitter Keaton Kropp received credit for the

BB) in defeat. Kropp was 2-3 for PHS, scoring once and driving in three, and nine-man Derek Heiniger went 2-2 and scored twice. Leon, the catcher, went 2-3, while Christian went 1-3 with a long RBI-triple and also scored once.

“We talked about it before the game. We’d got down on ourselves too many previous games,” Torres said. “We need to keep our heads up. And that’s what we decided to do: just keep having fun.”

Which included custom, team-mate-performed haircuts at the hotel the night before.

“Everybody said, ‘We’re doing mohawks,’ and most of us got them,” Watts said. “We just had fun with it; Mark was my barber. I’ve had fun these past few years playing baseball with these guys.”

“We were going crazy and took turns cutting each other’s hair,” Garcia said. “Just decided to go with the ‘hawks!’”

“Just got to be leaders,” he continued. “Show people what it’s all about and carry your team through whatever’s going on, whether losing by 20 or ahead by 10, you’ve just got to keep on the game. Since we’re the last ones [seniors], we had to be there for the rest of the team.”

Losing seniors Garcia, Watts, infielders Garrett Becker and Tyler Wancura, and outfielders Ryan Brooks and Pedro Vigil, as well as JV outfielder Tanner Harwood, Ignacio finished 2011 at 4-13 overall.

Paonia, meanwhile, went on to defeat Dolores in the D-2 title game. The San Juan Basin League champs turned the tables on the Eagles in last weekend’s regionals, however, advancing to this weekend’s “Final Four” by out-gunning PHS 18-11 in the Region 1 finale.

The SJBL is also alive in Class 1A, with Nucla (12-6) reaching the “Great Eight.” The Mustangs’ scheduled game against Simla was weather-postponed until May 16, after the Drum’s deadline.

The state championship is scheduled for May 21 at Englewood High School, with the 2A grand finale slated to follow in the afternoon. DHS (17-4) will first battle Rye (21-0) in one semifinal today.

## Soccer improves in RHS rematch

By Joel Priest  
Special to the Drum

Ahead of her sister by 364 days in life, Ridgway senior Morgan Jossi still trailed younger sibling Audrey in the soccer goals-scored category. And the junior had just added another to her count during the first half of the Lady Demons’ home match on May 4.

And as the match continued rolling their way, knowing he’d likely have to use the older of the two at her usual defensive spot full-time in RHS’ season finale two days later against state tournament-bound Bayfield, head coach Tim Lyons moved Morgan Jossi to the front line late against Ignacio.

But the Lady Bobcats, irritated with the previous afternoon’s 2-1 loss at Center—the Lady Vikings’ first win in years—not only foiled the plan, but played a second half along the lines head coach Andrew Fenity had sought all through, but had seldom seen in the taxing 2011 season.

With goalie Nicole Williams continuing to develop under fire, totaling 17 saves at Solar Ranch, the Lady Demons scored just

twice in the second half, and went scoreless during its first 20 minutes before Grace Benasutti finally put a ball past IHS’ keeper. Moved to the field so forward Alma Johnson could rest a pair of ailing arches, Ridgway starting goalie Rowan VanArsdell then scored in the 69th minute before Ignacio re-tightened their defense and survived RHS’ remaining attacks—many from Morgan Jossi.

The 6-0 final score verified the improvement over a 7-nil loss to the Lady Demons at IHS Field, and was achieved without a key figure in forward/midfielder Destinee Lucero. Inspired play from sophomore Teresa Zito, filling Lucero’s role, was a major reason—as was that of soph Angel Paul and freshman Malli Benevidez, trying to keep pace with Ridgway’s Audrey Jossi and Scarlett Holvenstot.

Moved by Lyons back in the formation to shore up his defense, junior Lauren Gleason didn’t forget her scoring touch and opened the scoring in the 13th minute—earning credit for the match-winner—with Holvenstot marking five minutes later for a 2-0 lead. Audrey Jossi

then struck in the 23rd, and Holvenstot banged in a Gleason rebound in the 39th for a 4-0 halftime advantage.

All told, Ridgway (final record 6-7-1 overall, 6-5-1 3A Southwestern) put 19 of their 32 shots on net and also gained six corner-kick attempts. Ignacio, playing most of the match in their defensive third of the field, managed no shots on either VanArsdell or Johnson (who officially took over in the 32nd minute). But in limiting their opponent to fewer goals than the previous encounter, a moral victory was achieved.

And the lessons learned should carry over into 2012, as both the Lady ‘Cats and Lady Demons will look almost identical to the current campaign’s rosters. Ignacio (0-11-1, 0-11-1 SWL) will lose no active seniors to graduation, while Ridgway will lose just Morgan Jossi and Savannah Davis.

GOT A GOAL: Against Center, sophomore Jasmine Red scored IHS’ goal, giving the Lady ‘Cats three for the season (Lucero booked the other two in a 2-2 draw with CHS in their first meeting).

## Long-distance ‘Call’: Cats to Jeffco

By Joel Priest  
Special to the Drum

Long after everyone else leaves, they’re still there.

Varsity soccer matches have kicked off after their unique practice begins, and have finished before it ends — their lengthy apparatus all still vertical, standing at attention before the users jet down the runway.

But when the Ignacio boys’ pole vaulters finally call it a day — whether working at IHS or Bayfield — they hope, dare we say expect, for results preferably identical to those obtained May 14.

Competing at the combined 2A/1A Western Slope League Championships in Grand Junction, the Bobcats placed 1-2-5 in the discipline, and all three — respectively Ethan Pearson, Casey Haga, Dusty Mangus — secured a coveted top-18 seeding for this weekend’s State Championships in Lakewood.

Inside Stocker Stadium, the top-seeded Pearson — already with a best of 12’3”, good enough for sixth-best in Class 2A — won by clearing 12’0”. Haga, with the eighth-best spot locked up for Jeffco Stadium, was second in G.J. at 11’6” after using fewer attempts than Travis Gore of West Grand



photo courtesy Kathryn Westcott

Ignacio's Michelle Simmons leaps during the high jump competition as part of last weekend's Class 2A/1A Western Slope League Championships in Grand Junction. Simmons won the discipline with a best of 5'1", and also took third in the 100-meter dash.

[Kremmling]. And Mangus took fifth (10’6”), via fewer tries than A.J. Anderson of Soroco [Oak Creek], and the Vail Christian [Edwards] duo of Gunnar Wilson and Nigel Johnsen.

Michelle Simmons nailed down the squad’s other individual title at the WSL’s, clearing 5’1” in the high jump and nailing down a spot in Lakewood. She also qualified for state with a 13.36-second preliminary pass in the 100 meters, and an earlier 27.47 in the 200 endured for a third Jeffco berth.

Katelyn Silvers, in keeping with the team’s success in the

pole vault, will also be headed to the Metro Area as a girls’ representative by way of an earlier 7’9” best.

Adam Herrera will travel for the 200- and 400-meter dashes, his 52.38 in the 400 prelims inside Stocker good enough to punch a State ticket. Pearson will join him in the 400, clocking a 52.68 in the prelims to just crack the season’s top-18. Shane Richmond and Colton Wyatt will go in the discus, as will the boys’ 4x100-meter and 4x4 relays.

Action in Lakewood commenced yesterday, and will conclude tomorrow evening.



photo Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio seniors Mark Garcia (left) and Orion Watts (right) show off their occasion-specific haircuts at the Bobcats’ District 2 game against Paonia on May 7 in Grand Junction.

first baseman T.K. Kendall leading off, but leftfielder Cuauhtemoc Torres singled to center and took second on a botched pickoff attempt before centerfielder Sonny Sanchez flew out to right.

Snapping the shutout, Jefferson singled to left, deep enough for Torres to score and get IHS on the board. But Gillenwater then struck out Jeff Herrera to retire the side, and after getting aboard himself to start PHS’s two-run response in their fourth-inning at-bat, ended the 2A-District 2 contest by fanning Garcia and Young, and getting Vigil on a hard liner right at shortstop K.C. Christian.

“We just had to come out and do our best, have fun,” Torres said after the 12-1 loss, “and give it our all. If we won, we won — great — and if we didn’t, we had to have fun. Be a team.”

“Some of the younger guys stepped up big-time for us,” Watts said. “They came in clutch

game-winning RBI, when his groundout to Young at short allowed Jacob Leon — who’d led off the second’s home half with a triple — to score and put Paonia ahead 2-0 against Garcia (L, 2-6; 2.1 IP, 9 R, 6 H, 5 K, BB, 2 BK).

“After seeing them for the third time,” Garcia said, referring to last season’s encounters in both districts and regionals, “I looked at them and knew what each guy hit from last year. So I was trying to up my game with my curveball, now that I’ve got a hold of it this year. I went with different things, but they got a hold of our younger guys in the field.”

“Yeah there’s not a lot of difference,” concurred Watts, regarding the prior go-rounds with the Eagles. “We just couldn’t get hold of the ball; they did an overall good job.”

Torres and Vigil each went 1-2 for IHS, while Herrera and Young were 1-3 against Gillenwater (W-CG; 5 IP, 8 K, 2

## Ignacio spring sports standings

Baseball: 2A/1A San Juan Basin League (as of May 16, 2011)			Girls’ Soccer: 3A Southwestern League (FINAL as of May 12, 2011)		
Team	Overall	League	Team	Overall	League
Dolores	17-4	9-0	Telluride	13-2-1	11-0-1
Nucla	12-6	6-3	Bayfield	9-5-2	8-2-2
<b>IGNACIO</b>	<b>4-13</b>	<b>2-7</b>	Pagosa Springs	9-5-1	8-3-1
Dove Creek	1-16	1-8	Ridgway	6-7-1	6-5-1
<b>2A State Tournament, Final Four:</b>			Alamosa	5-7-1	4-7-1
5/20 at Englewood H.S. – Dolores vs. Rye			Center	1-12-1	1-10-1
<b>1A State Tournament, Great Eight:</b>			<b>IGNACIO</b>	<b>0-11-1</b>	<b>0-11-1</b>
5/16 at All-city Field, Denver – Nucle vs. Simla			<b>3A State Tournament, Round 32:</b>		
			#21 Basalt 2:0 #12 Telluride (In Grand Junction)		
			#24 Bayfield 0:4 Manitou Springs		
			#25 Pagosa Springs 0:3 #8 Colo. Springs Christian		
—compiled by Joel Priest					





# Notices

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May 20, 2011



## Planning for Spring Farming Activities

Spring farming activities are getting in full swing. Planning spring agricultural activities is imperative for a successful production year. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Agriculture Division is planning for the coming season. Early planning and preparation will help us to be more efficient in assisting Tribal Member Ag producers with their farming activities. Custom Farming services are scheduled on a first come first serve basis with payment of one half of the total estimate due prior to work implementation. The Agriculture Division provides services to Tribal Members on Tribal land only. We no longer provide custom farming services to non-tribal producers or on any non-tribal land.

We would like to assist Tribal Member farmers with technical planning needs. If you need information on agricultural production stop by. Providing technical assistance and agriculture information is an important part of our service to the membership. We would also like to remind Tribal Elders that we provide rotor tilling and brush hogging up to one acre at no charge to you. If you are looking to do a garden this year please give us a call and we will be happy to assist you in getting your ground prepared for planting!

Custom Farm rates have not changed for 2011. We have added new activities for Tribal Member producers, these are: round baling, deep ripping, field aeration and fertilizer application.

Custom farming services			
Aeration	\$28/hr	Raking	\$28/hr
Brush hog	\$30/hr	Snow Plowing for Livestock	\$30/hr
Rotor Tilling	\$30/hr	V-Ripper	\$38/hr
Field Corrugating	\$28/hr	Swathing	\$48/hr
Disc Plowing	\$30/hr	Large Round Baling	\$10/bale
Ditching/Ditch Cleaning	\$28/hr	Small Square Baling	\$.50/bale
Fertilizer Application	\$30/hr	Stacking **Less than 5 mile hauling	\$.40/bale
Harrowing	\$28/hr	Stacking 5-15 miles hauling	\$.60/mile
Land Leveling	\$28/hr	Stacking Large Round Bales + RTM**	\$4/bale
Planting	\$28/hr	Livestock Hauling (round trip)	\$.50/mile
Plowing: 3 bottom	\$30/hr	One way mileage to worksite/day	\$.35/mile
Plowing : 4-5 bottom	\$46/hr		
Post hole digging/post pounding	\$28/hr		

For more information or to schedule Custom Farm Services please call 970-563-0220.



## Restaurants

### Hero's Pizza & Deli Favorites

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580 Goddard Ave.

M-Th 6:30a-6p; F 6:30a-8p

*"Best in the West, feast from the East"*

### Julie's El Amigo

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11a-8p

*"Mexican & American food"*

### The Patio Restaurant

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## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE PowWow Committee Vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has four PowWow Committee Member vacancies. A Committee member must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members or a Native American community member. Members serve on a voluntary basis. The responsibility of the Southern Ute Indian PowWow Committee is to promote the traditions and culture of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe through powwows. All interests individuals who would like to serve on this committee are urged to submit a letter of intent to Personnel Department in the Leonard C. Burch Tribal Administration Building.

## SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE Election Board Vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has one (1) Election Board vacancy for a regular board member. The chosen applicant will serve a three (3) year term. This opportunity is available to interested Tribal Members who meet the following. Must be a registered tribal voter; must reside on the reservation; cannot be a Tribal Council member, or a candidate for tribal office; must not have been convicted of a felony; and must not have been convicted of a misdemeanor involving dishonesty or fraud within five (5) years. All interested Tribal members are urged to pick up an application or submit a letter of intent to the Personnel Department in the Leonard C. Burch Building before 5 p.m. on Monday, June 6, 2011.

## Request For Bid

### SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN HOUSING AUTHORITY SENIOR CENTER STORAGE SHED 2009-04

The Southern Ute Indian Housing Authority is advertising request for proposals for the Senior Center Storage Shed project on the Southern Ute Reservation. The bid proposal should include cost of labor and materials in completing this project. Prospective bidders are asked to contact Eric Spady or Tracie Baker at 970-563-4575, Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A project specification packet can be obtained at the Southern Ute Indian Housing Authority office at 760 Shoshone Ave., Ignacio, CO. A mandatory site visit for this project is scheduled for May 20, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.

Bid deadline is May 25, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. Bids must be sealed. Bid opening is May 25, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at said office privately opened.

All bids must adhere to the Southern Ute Indian TERO Ordinance and the Federal Indian Preference Statutes, 24 Code of Federal Regulations, Davis-Bacon Wage Rates for LaPlata County are in effect; Uniform Builders Code (UBC) and Tribal Crossing Permits must be obtained.

Bids not responsive and responsible will be rejected.

## Request For Proposal

### SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLAN (NRMP) UPDATE AND PROGRAMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (PEA)

#### OWNER:

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe**

**Department of Natural Resources**

**Mailing Address:**

**P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137**

#### Contacts:

**Brian Gideon, Forestry Division Head**

**Steve Whiteman, Wildlife Division Head**

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe (SUIT), Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is now accepting Request for Proposals (RFP) for the NRMP Update and PEA. RFP will be accepted through May 20, 2011 until 5:00 PM. RFP received after this time will not be accepted and returned to the unopened. Contracting party is the SUIT and DNR will be managing the project.

The NRMP is a comprehensive, long-range planning document that spells out the SUIT's vision of how its natural resources should be managed as a whole for the benefit of the Tribe and Tribal Members. The NRMP is a living document subject to periodic updates in order to respond to changing needs and directions as determined by the Tribe. The last major update occurred in 2000, and the plan is currently effective through 2020.

The NRMP is divided into multiple sections, including (but not limited to) narrative descriptions of reservation setting and resources; a listing of

related goals and objectives drawn from the Tribe's comprehensive plan; a summary of management issues and policies based in part on Tribal Member feedback; comprehensive descriptions of seven different watershed management units along with management options for each; and detailed GIS-produced maps and data for the reservation. Also included both as a component of the NRMP and as a stand-alone document, is a programmatic environmental assessment that has been approved by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Southern Ute Agency. The PEA provides an umbrella NEPA document which site-specific management activities under the NRMP can tier to for environmental compliance.

RFP's may be picked up at DNR, Annex building from Ms. Liz Bacon, 116 Mouache Dr, Ignacio, CO, 81137, 970-563-0125. Questions regarding the project may be directed at Mr. Brian Gideon at 970-563-4780 or Mr. Steve Whiteman at 970-563-0130.

The SUIT's Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. A bid preference of 5% will be given to any qualified Native American owned company. To receive preference, Native American owned businesses must be certified by the SUIT TERO office. For more information on certification, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117.

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### CenturyLink offers telephone assistance to individuals living on Tribal Lands

CenturyLink is energizing its efforts to inform residents of two assistance programs that provide discounts on initial telephone installation and basic monthly telephone service to qualifying low-income consumers. Link-Up helps these consumers pay the initial costs of getting telephone service. Lifeline provides certain discounts on monthly service for qualified subscribers.

Lifeline and Link-Up are available to qualifying consumers in every U.S. state (territory and commonwealth). Qualifications for participation vary by state. States with their own programs have their own criteria. In states that rely solely on the federal program, the subscriber must participate in one of the following programs: Medicaid, food stamps, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance or the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Head Start, the National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) or if the Household annual gross income is at or below 135% of the federal poverty level.

The amount of the discounts also varies by state. Link-Up helps qualified low-income consumers to connect to the telephone network. This federal program offsets 1/2 of the initial hook-up fee, up to \$30, for qualified households.

Residents of American Indian and Alaskan Native tribal lands may qualify for an additional \$25 of enhanced Lifeline support monthly and up to \$70 of expanded Link-Up support beyond current levels. An individual living on tribal lands may also qualify for Lifeline and Link-Up discounts if he or she participates in one of the above programs or one of the following federal programs: Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance or Tribally-Administered Temporary Assistance to Needy Families.

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# Congratulations & memorials

### To Seth Roubideaux

CONGRATULATIONS from graduating from Bayfield High School!! It's been a long four years and you have accomplished a lot for yourself. Now that reality has set in, you will now have to fulfill the rest of your career and dreams. May you accomplish all that you set out for yourself. You have the support of your Family, Aunties & Uncles (both on & off) the reservation to help you along. Dream big and you never know we may be watching you on National television. Your name may be with those Native American athletes like Shoni Schimmel (University of Louisville Basketball player), 3rd picked WNBA, Tahnee Robinson (Connecticut Suns basketball player), & Jacoby Ellsbury (Boston Red Socks, Centerfield). You will have to work hard academically & getting yourself in shape. Remember, College is much tougher with all that reading & handing in thesis, more reading, more thesis, etc., than High School. Anyways, I pray that you reach your goals in life, and remember to always put the Creator first & foremost in whatever you do, that is really important. Again, Seth, Congratulations Nephew. May the Creator Bless You in all that you do and keep you safe.

Auntie,  
Darlene F.

### To Ian J. Doughty

A big CONTRATULATIONS to you (the catcher), and the rest of your Piedra Vista Teammates for winning the big "C" Championship in the 4A Baseball game in Albuquerque, NM. I was happy when I heard the news on KOB-TV Sports news. You & your teammates beat your rivals, the Albuquerque Academy Chargers (9-4). It was nice to see that "YEAH" picture in the Farmington Times with the big smiles. Again, Congratulations and Great Job, Nephew!

Auntie,  
Darlene Frost

### Way to go girls!

Congratulations are in order for a few young ladies in our family. Congratulations to princess Alexis Ortiz for continuing on past Kindergarten, way to go!

Congratulations and two horns in the air for the twins, Asiah and Ariel Jiron on your graduation from Golden high school.

And last but not least to Christina Herrera for completing your first Holy Communion, may God bless you in all that you do.

From your family  
Robert Ortiz and the rest of the crew!



In loving memory of my grandparents

John Lucero  
4/18/24 – 3/7/05

Macadonia Lucero  
6/12/22 – 5/3/09



Nedra Thompson Seeger  
6/16/32 – 3/12/06

We miss you all so much, but we know that none of you are suffering any more and are in the promise land with our Lord also with our blessed mother. We love you all and keep you all in our hearts, I especially know that you all will watch over me as I continue my long journey into the future still. We love you all so much still, we don't shed tears any more, we smile with memories.

Love your children, grandchildren and great-grandkids.

Lloyd Sr, Clara, and Lloyd Jr. Lucero  
Melanie, Anita and Mariah Montoya

## 'Dancing Bears' Festival of Ute Artisans

### Attention all Ute artisans

The first annual "Dancing Bears," a festival of Ute artisans will be held May 28 and 29 at the Southern Ute Multi-purpose Building. You are invited to participate, enter your artwork, and sell your artwork at no cost.

The event is open to all enrolled Ute tribe members from the three Ute tribes. Entries will be accepted on Friday, May 27 beginning at 1 p.m. and closing at 5 p.m. There are six categories available including traditional and cultural items; such as cradleboards, bows and

arrows, hides, dolls, beadwork, and basketry.

We are also encouraging you to display your old antique family photos and artwork of your deceased artists.

Nu inikH is a group of tribal members representing each of the three Ute tribes. The goal is to preserve the culture and promote the artwork of our Ute artists and artisans. There will be Ute storytellers, and musical entertainers, flutists, and performers. On Friday there will be a Ute fashion show at 3:00 p.m.

If you are interested in participating in any capacity, please contact one of the committee members or e-mail eliseredd@yahoo.com.

Thank you,  
Members of the  
Nu inikH committee  
Elise Redd, Lark Goodtracks,  
Neida Ray, San Jean Burch,  
Ernie Watts, Inez Cloud,  
Norman Lansing, Mariah Cuch,  
Katherine Jacket, Lylene Scott,  
Yolinda Joy, Rose Paytiamo,  
Conrad Thompson, Selma Lang,  
Nova Deen Burch, Vanessa  
Carel and Terry Box

## Encouraging all Ute artists to participate!

The Ute Made "Nu inikH" artists will host. This is done to support our Ute artists in sharing and respecting our humble way. Our arts are not dead, our arts are a continuing part of the life that is Nuche.

We do these things on behalf of those artists yet to come, and those who have lived their lives ahead of us. This is done as an invitation to share, to come together in a humble way, as some were taught not to flaunt, or to be prideful. One does not choose this life as an artist, as it is a gift of knowledge and skill, driven by the heart to express its self.

ALL UTE ARTISTS (must be enrolled in one of the three Ute tribes) are welcome to participate and we look forward to sharing our work with one another.

Categories: both traditional and contemporary paintings; drawings; graphics; photography; pottery: traditional and contemporary; sculpture: stone, bronze, other 3D media; jewelry & lapidary work: traditional & contemporary; dolls; clothing; quilts; beadwork; quillwork; cradleboards; baskets.

Traditional cultural-based work: hides, knives and bows and arrows.

Display your old photos and artwork of the deceased: artwork

of family members who have journeyed into the spirit world, and old antique photographs of family members and friends will be displayed.

Ute Fashion Show: Friday, May 27, at 3 p.m. Interested in modeling your outfit? Call Inez Cloud at 970-749-5988.

For more information, please call or e-mail:

Ignacio area: 970-779-8149, eliseredd@yahoo.com  
Towaoc area: 970 759-1571, kjacket@utemountain.org  
Ft. Duschene area: 435-724-3608, mariahc@utetribe.com  
The first of many annual art shows!

## Obituaries

**BAKER** - Southern Ute Tribal member Iden C. Baker passed into the Spirit world on Friday morning, May 6, 2011, at Mercy Regional Medical Center due to an extended illness. Iden was born May 25, 1949, in Ignacio, Colo. He attended Ignacio High School, and worked for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe in various departments.

Known as "Nig" or "Iky" by his family, Iden was an outdoors man. He loved fishing, traveling and picnicking. Most of all, he loved the time he spent at family celebrations. When Iden turned the big "5-0" a surprise celebration was given in his honor by his niece LeAnn, where he was surrounded by family. In recent years, it was his niece Terena that kept his spirits going, along with the family pets Rowdy, Daisy Mae, Tinka, and Princess, and his cat ML. Whenever his nieces and nephews would return from their travels, they would go to their "Uncle Nig" and tell him of where they had been and what they had seen. He was always happy to hear of their adventures. He encouraged his niece Amber and nephew Anthony to do well in their endeavors.

Iden's hobbies included collecting buffaloes, doing puzzles, and buying motorcycle memorabilia from the bike rally. According to his mom, he made the best coffee.

Iden is survived by parents Clifford and Sarah of Ignacio; sisters Terry Box of Ignacio, Connie Mae Baker of Ignacio, Ann Blackbird of Lawrence, Kan.; brothers Melvin Baker, Ronnie Baker and Tooley Box, all of Ignacio; his aunt Vida Peabody of Ignacio; other cousins, family members and friends.

He is preceded in death by his grandmother Alma Box, uncles Emil Box, James Baker and Eugene Baker; brothers Ted Baker and Weslee Baker; and nephews Ronald Baker and Shonie Baker.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be sent to the Ignacio EMT's in memory of Iden.

Memorial services were held May 11, 2011, at the Southern Ute Memorial Chapel, in Ignacio, Larry Tucker officiated. Visitation took place before the service.

## NEW EMPLOYEES



McKean Walton

Job title: Games coordinator

Description of duties: Coordinator for athletes to attend NAIG, State games, Tri-Ute games as well as other sporting activities.

Hobbies: Bowling, softball, and various sports.

Tribe: Southern Ute.



Tyler Willbanks

Job title: Southern Ute tribal ranger

Description of duties: protect and enforce tribal wildlife laws as well as crossing permits, grazing permits and natural resources.

Hobbies: Horseback riding, outdoors and fishing.

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May 20, 2011



# Walking together on annual 19-mile trek



The “Walking Together for Healthier Nations” event began its annual 19-mile trek from the Ute Mountain Visitors Center (above) at the southern junction of U.S. highways 491 160 to the Four Corners Monument on May 13. The Red Sky drum group sang a flag song to begin the day. This year’s group included a few elders, (left) including Salma Lang (above right) from Ignacio. Walkers from the Four Corners Regional Health Center in Ignacio and mile marker 29 on the Utah-Colorado border began at the same time, eventually congregating in the afternoon at the entrance to the Four Corners Monument. A Bear Dance demonstration (below left) also took place. Ute Mountain Ute Councilman Manuel Hart (below right) talked about the good things the walk promotes.



photos Robert Ortiz/SU DRUM

## Ignacio ‘moves it’ during 5K



*The "Just Move It" program, along with the Southern Ute Health Department, hosted its annual 5K walk/run in Ignacio on May 14. Many community members and participants of the JMI program enjoyed the morning excursion, which began at the SunUte Community Center's multipurpose field and continued east towards Scott's Pond, south along the Los Pinos River trail, east on Bear Dance Drive towards the Ouray Memorial Cemetery, then back to the start. The "Just Move It" walk took place on the heels of the 19-mile "Walking Together for Healthier Nations" walk the day before. The program promotes health through walking and exercise. Alice Red (left) and Raymond Frost Sr. (right) make their way east toward the finish line.*

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**Division Order Analyst**  
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**TERO**  
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Jobs open to Southern Ute Tribal Members and Local Native American Indians

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**Table Games**  
Multi-Games Dealer – FT, closes 5/20  
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Shuttle Driver w/CDL – FT, closes 5/20  
Shuttle Driver 2 – FT, closes 5/23

*Preference Given To Qualified Southern Ute tribal members and other Native Americans.  
FT: Full-time, PT: Part-time, OC: On-Call, TMP: Temp*

**Southern Ute Indian Tribe - Job Announcements**  
Please refer to the complete Job Announcement and Requirements in the Human Resources Dept.  
P.O. Box 737 • Ignacio, CO 81137 • [www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs](http://www.southern-ute.nsn.us/jobs)  
Phone: 970-563-0100 • Fax: 970-563-0396 • Hotline: 970-563-4777  
\*Human Resources accepts applications for Temporary Employment on an on-going basis.

**Grant Writer**  
Closes 5/20/11 – Responsible for planning, writing, editing, and preparing grant applications; conducting prospect/foundation/federal agency research, working closely with Tribal staff members on grant application matters. Monitoring programs to ensure compliance with grant or contract regulations.

**Temporary Farm Equipment Operator**  
Closes 5/23/11 – (3 Positions) Under general supervision of the Field Supervisor provides routine maintenance and safe operation of heavy equipment in carrying out the project assignments for the Custom Farm Division. Temporary, seasonal assignment.

**Tribal Services Security Officer**  
Closes 5/27/11 – Will provide security for Tribal Services. Duties will include patrolling and observing the activities of persons in and around the Maoche Capote building. Work involves assessing problem situations and exercising tact and judgment in bringing about their resolution. Provides general services in the daily operation of Tribal Services including: maintaining order, notifying interested parties of meetings, and performing various other services as requested by the Tribal Services.

**Clinical RN**  
Closes 5/24/11 – Registered Nurse position responsible for providing professional and clinical services.

**Administrative Assistant**  
Closes 5/27/11 – Tribal Health  
Under the general supervision of the Tribal Member Health Benefits Director, this position provides secretarial and administrative support for the Department of Tribal Member Health Benefits.

**Administrative Medical Assistant**  
Closes 5/27/11 – Provides medical administrative assistant work interdependently with other health care professionals.

**Construction Supervisor**  
Closes 5/27/11 – Supervises Construction Services Division Crew Leaders and Heavy Equipment Supervisor in construction services.

**Heavy Equipment Operator**  
Closes 5/27/11 – Provides routine maintenance and safe operation of heavy equipment in carrying out project assignments for the Construction Services Division.

**Apprenticeship/Trainee Program**  
Open Until Filled – Finance Department  
The goal of this program is to provide Southern Ute Tribal members with opportunities in finance careers through education, training and mentoring. This Program is designed to benefit Tribal members who wish to utilize skills acquired in formal education and prior work experience to continue development as finance professionals Tribal member participants who successfully complete the Program will learn necessary skills which will improve chances to obtain financial jobs.

**Air Quality Engineer**  
Open Until Filled – Under general supervision of the Air Quality Program Manager, coordinates, supervises and conducts technical and regulatory tasks within the Enforcement Section of the Tribal Air Quality Program. This position is grant funded. Continued employment is contingent upon renewed funding from the US EPA, or other grant funds.

**Temporary YNR Crew Leader**  
Open Until Filled – The crew leader serves as a role model and mentor for the high school participants. The crew leader must be a responsible, enthusiastic, and mature individual who will provide the high school students with the appropriate guidance, encouragement, and support to succeed in YNR

**Temporary YNR Crew Member**  
Open Until Filled – (4 positions) Temporary summer position designed for Southern Ute tribal member high school students who are 16 years old or older. Crewmembers serve as workers on a crew of four that reports directly to the YNR crew leader. Crew performs a variety of functions related to environmental education and on-the-ground work in various disciplines of natural resource management.

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**SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE**  
**Tribal Coroner**

The Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council is seeking qualified and interested applicants for the position of Tribal Coroner and Deputy Tribal Coroner.  
Qualifications are as follows:  
1) Must be at least twenty-one years of age.  
2) Must have law enforcement experience.  
3) Must be EMT certified or possess other similar medical training.  
These positions are appointed for three year terms by the Tribal Council and are compensated at a rate of \$100.00 per call out. The specific duties for these positions can be found in the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Code, Title 20, Article 1, Section 108 or by calling the Department of Justice & Regulatory, 970-563-0292. Please submit letters of interest by Friday May 27, 2011 to: Department of Justice & Regulatory, PO Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137.

**BP - Job Announcements**  
For in-depth information on this position and to join our team, visit our website at: [www.bp.com/epcareers](http://www.bp.com/epcareers). BP is seeking the following positions. BP is an equal opportunity employer. Click on the “View Jobs” under the “HSSE” category or click “Submit Resume/CV” and then click “Search Openings” and type in Req ID#.

**Facilities Engineer – Farmington, NM #21541BR**  
**Facilities Engineering Operations Specialist – Durango, CO #21534BR**

In compliance with Title 17 of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Employment Rights Code, BP will give preference to individuals covered by the Code for purposes of hiring, promotion, lay-off, and training for work performed within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Reservation.

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**In the Legal Name Change of,**  
Case No.: 2011-062-NC  
**NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE**  
**Shirelle Jasmine Gleason, Civil Subject**  
Notice is hereby given that Shirelle Jasmine Gleason has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Shirelle Jasmine Garcia. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **June 6, 2011 by 5:00 PM**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.  
**Dated this 3rd day of May, 2011.**  
Kelly Herrera, Court Clerk

**In the Legal Name Change of,**  
Case No.: 2011-NC-067  
**NOTICE OF LEGAL NAME CHANGE**  
**Twyla Suzzette Weaver, Civil Subject**  
Notice is hereby given that Twyla Suzzette Weaver has filed an application for legal change of name, to be known hereafter as Twyla Suzzette Casados. Any person desiring to object to the granting of the petition may do so by filing an objection in writing with the Clerk of the Court no later than **May 23, 2011**. If no objection is made, the Court will grant the legal name change.  
**Dated this 3rd day of May, 2011.**  
Dolores Romero, Court Clerk

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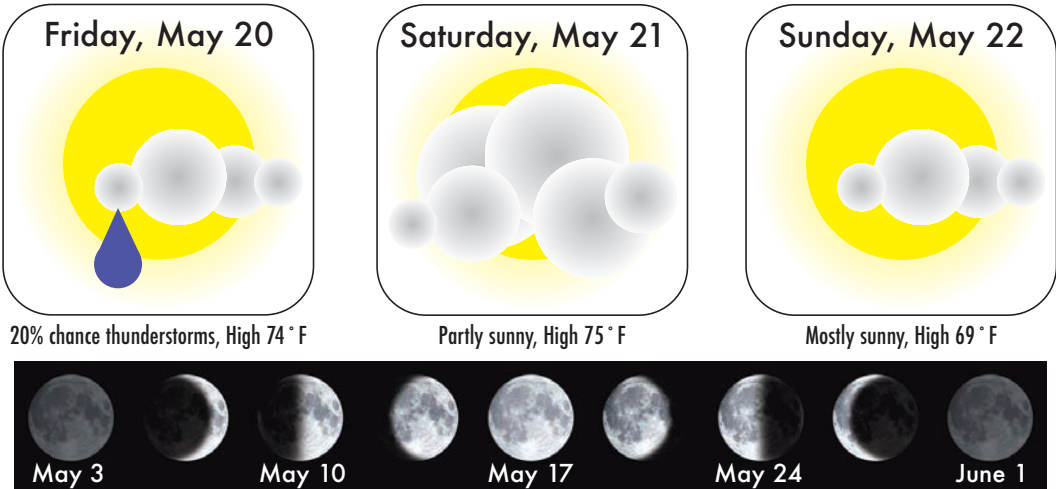
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# Elementary kids hop, run

Ignacio Elementary School's field day took place on Monday, May 16. Anna Adams, C.J. Francis, Julian White, Grace Gonzales, and Jacob Silva (left) are off on the 3-legged race; Shalisha Chavez (right) hops to the finish line during the sack race at Town Park; Silas Wilbourn (below right), son of Rhonda and Lawrence Wilbourn, races to the finish line after receiving the baton from a fellow classmate during the relay race; Mrs. Kirkpatrick's class (below) takes on Mrs. Richmond's class for the tug-o-war challenge.



## Local Ignacio Weather



Weather data for May 2 – May 16

